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- Interstate 75/85 in Atlanta was closed for almost 3 hours February 2 while authorities investigated a suspicious package taped to the outside of a bridge, which was later rendered a non-explosive device. – *WXIA 11 Atlanta* (See item [6](#))
- A gastrointestinal illness sickened 193 guests and 9 crew members aboard a Royal Caribbean cruise ship that returned to its port in Baltimore one day early February 2 due to an unspecified medical emergency. – *WBAL 11 Baltimore* (See item [7](#))
- School districts in Illinois, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Ohio, and Michigan were closed February 2 due to Winter Storm Linus that caused several deaths, over 1,300 flight cancellations, and several traffic accidents in the Midwest after dumping several inches of snow on the ground. – *Weather.com* (See item [19](#))
- Firefighters continued February 2 to battle a 7-alarm fire that broke out January 31 at the Citistorage building in the Brooklyn area of New York City, while investigators worked to determine the source of the blaze. – *WPIX 11 New York City* (See item [27](#))

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Energy Sector

1. ***February 2, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – (Utah) Newfield Production agrees to resolve alleged wetlands violations at production sites in Uintah and Duchesne counties (Utah).*** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency reached a settlement February 2 with Newfield Production Company to resolve alleged Clean Water Act violations reported by Newfield through a 2012 self-audit to examine environmental compliance at 45 production sites in Utah. The company agreed to pay a \$175,000 penalty and complete wetlands restoration and creation projects at production sites in Uintah and Duchesne counties.

Source:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/ba80c6224532da6085257de0006a2e70>

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

2. ***January 30, Reuters – (International) BMW fixes security flaw in its in-car software.*** BMW reported January 30 that it fixed a security flaw which affected cars equipped with the company's ConnectedDrive software using on-board SIM cards, which could have allowed hackers to unlock the doors and potentially access onboard vehicle computer systems of up to 2.2 million Rolls-Royce, Mini, and BMW vehicles.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/01/30/bmw-cybersecurity-idUSL6N0V92VD20150130>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

3. ***February 2, Birmingham News*** – (Alabama) **Former nonprofit CEO arrested, charged in \$14 million health care fraud case.** A former CEO of a Birmingham nonprofit was arrested and charged February 2 for his involvement in a scheme that included bank fraud, money laundering, and conspiracy in connection to his employment or involvement with Birmingham Health Care, Central Alabama Comprehensive Health, Birmingham Financial Credit Union, and several for-profit businesses known as Synergy Entities based on allegations that he diverted \$14 million in funds to his private businesses over 6 years.
Source:
http://www.al.com/news/index.ssf/2015/02/former_ceo_of_nonprofits_to_ai.html
4. ***February 2, Reuters*** – (New Jersey; California) **Financial adviser pleads guilty in California to investment scheme.** A New Jersey financial adviser to professional athletes and entertainers pleaded guilty February 2 to charges of wire fraud in connection to presenting a scheme to an undercover FBI agent to exaggerate the costs of Burger King franchises to investors in San Diego by planning on telling investors that the franchises would be purchased for \$37 million, more than double their actual cost. The financial advisor planned to fraudulently take a 50 percent ownership stake, and hoped to take millions of dollars “off the top” of the deal.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/02/03/us-usa-crime-california-idUSKBN0L702M20150203>
5. ***February 2, Securityweek*** – (International) **Dyre banking trojan uses worm to spread via Microsoft Outlook.** Researchers at Trend Micro discovered a new variant of the Dyre (Dyreza) malware in the form of a spam email containing the Upatre downloader that propagates itself via a worm that uses Microsoft Outlook to send emails to targets, including 355 sites belonging primarily to banks and Bitcoin wallets.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/dyre-banking-trojan-uses-worm-spread-microsoft-outlook>

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Transportation Systems Sector

6. ***February 3, WXIA 11 Atlanta*** – (Georgia) **Downtown Connector reopens after package detonated.** Interstate 75/85 in Atlanta, known as the Downtown Connector, was closed for almost 3 hours February 2 while authorities investigated a suspicious package that was taped to the outside of the 14th Street Bridge. A bomb squad responded to the scene and detonated the object that police later determined was not an explosive device.
Source: <http://www.11alive.com/story/news/local/downtown/2015/02/02/downtown-connector-suspicious-package/22754551/>
7. ***February 3, WBAL 11 Baltimore*** – (Maryland) **Royal Caribbean cruise ship returns early to Baltimore.** A Royal Caribbean vessel, the Grandeur of the Seas, returned to

the Port of Baltimore one day earlier than scheduled February 2 due to a medical emergency that required the transport of a passenger to a land-based hospital, while a gastrointestinal illness affected about 193 guests and 9 crew members aboard the ship. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention will conduct an assessment to evaluate possible causes of the outbreak, and the ship was ordered to undergo a deep cleaning after the guests debarked.

Source: <http://www.wbaltv.com/news/royal-caribbean-cruise-ship-returns-early-to-baltimore/31053844>

8. ***February 2, Associated Press*** – (National) **Computer outage plagues Delta Air Lines' flights.** An unspecified number of Delta Air Lines customers nationwide were unable to check in for flights using the airline's Web site, mobile app, and airport kiosks February 2 due to a network malfunction that caused intermittent service delays and outages. A Delta spokesperson stated that the disruption was not system-wide and that the computer problem only caused a small number of delayed departures.
Source: <http://www.sltrib.com/home/2132748-155/computer-outage-plagues-delta-air-lines>
9. ***February 2, WCNC 36 Charlotte*** – (North Carolina) **Highway 218 reopened after tractor-trailer wreck.** Highway 218 in Union County was blocked for approximately 4 hours February 2 after a semi-truck overturned when the driver lost control of the vehicle and slid onto the shoulder of the road. The driver was taken to a local hospital for minor injuries and crews responded to the scene to remove the wreckage.
Source: <http://www.wcnc.com/story/news/traffic/2015/02/02/overtured-tractor-trailer-blocks-part-of-highway-218-in-union-co/22733227/>
10. ***February 2, Associated Press*** – (Virginia) **Va. DMV extends expiring credentials due to IT outage.** The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) extended expiring driver's licenses and other DMV-issued credentials following a service failure of the State's IT provider that prompted the closure of DMV offices Statewide January 31. Crews worked to restore service and recover systems, allowing several offices to reopen later that day.
Source: <http://wavy.com/2015/02/02/va-dmv-extends-expiring-credentials-due-to-it-outage/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

11. ***February 3, U.S. Food and Drug Administration*** – (National) **The Spice Mill issues allergy alert on undeclared peanut protein in ground cumin & Cajun Seasoning products.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported February 2 that The Spice Mill voluntarily recalled its ground cumin and Cajun Seasoning products after it was discovered that an ingredient from a supplier used during the manufacturing process was contaminated with peanut proteins. The recalled products were sold at local

markets in Connecticut and through The Spice Mill's Web site and retail store.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm432761.htm>

12. *February 2, Missoulian* – (Montana) **Grain bin busts in Wolf Point, spilling 20,000 bushels of wheat.** About 20,000 bushels of wheat spilled from a steel grain bin at the Columbia Grain-operated Gavilon Grain facility in Wolf Point January 31. Officials are investigating the cause of the incident and are working to determine if the grain can be salvaged as they survey the damage.
Source: http://missoulian.com/news/state-and-regional/grain-bin-busts-in-wolf-point-spilling-bushels-of-wheat/article_f56cb8c0-b65a-5766-80f4-dfb84a6bbe65.html
13. *February 2, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Middle East Bakery, Inc. issues allergy alert due to the potential for undeclared soy in select lots of Joseph's bread products and Trader Joe's pita products.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported February 2 that Massachusetts-based Middle East Bakery, Inc., issued a recall for certain lots of Joseph's-branded bread products and Trader Joe's-branded pita products due to undeclared soy. The recall was initiated following a temporary breakdown in the company's production and packaging processes.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm432682.htm>
14. *February 2, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (Connecticut; New Jersey; New York) **Sole Grano LLC issues allergy alert on undeclared almonds & wheat in Organic Cranberry Low Fat Granola.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced January 30 that Sole Grano LLC recalled 12-ounce packages of its Fairway – Like No Other Market Organic Cranberry Low Fat Granola due to undeclared almond and wheat. The recalled product was sold at Fairway Stores in New Jersey, Connecticut, and New York.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm432610.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

15. *February 3, Sidney Daily News* – (Ohio) **Boil advisory in effect.** The Village of Anna remained under a boil advisory through at least February 4 following a water main break February 2 that was repaired later that day. Testing is underway to ensure the water in the line is safe for consumption before the boil advisory can be lifted.
Source: <http://www.sidneydailynews.com/news/news/151645578/Boil-advisory-in-effect>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

16. *February 3, Perkasie News-Herald* – (Pennsylvania) **Police: CVS employee stole**

thousands of prescription painkillers from work. Police charged a CVS pharmacy employee January 28 for allegedly stealing approximately 2,000 Tylenol with Codeine tablets over the course of several months from the pharmacy's Hilltown location.

Source:

http://www.montgomerynews.com/articles/2015/02/03/perkasie_news_herald/news/doc54d04c59c2d9b049179969.txt

17. *February 2, MassLive.com* – (Massachusetts) **Investigation into UMass Memorial Medial Group data breach ongoing.** UMass Memorial Medical Group in Massachusetts notified up to 14,000 patients January 30 of a personal, health, and financial information breach that occurred January 7 to May 7, 2014 when a former employee accessed billing records outside normal job duties.

Source:

http://www.masslive.com/news/worcester/index.ssf/2015/02/investigation_into_umass_memor.html

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Government Facilities Sector

18. *February 3, Hibbing Daily Tribune* – (Montana) **Washington Elementary closed Tuesday due to sewer issue.** A sewer problem caused by a failed sump pump prompted the closure of Washington Elementary School in Hibbing February 3 when ground water and sewage flooded the basement of the school February 2. The water and sewage were removed from the basement and school officials worked on drying out the area.

Source: http://www.hibbingmn.com/news/local/washington-elementary-closed-tuesday-due-to-sewer-issue/article_594ecb34-ab53-11e4-9949-b7af2864b9cf.html

19. *February 2, Weather.com* – (National) **Winter Storm Linus clobbers Midwest; several weather-related deaths in region.** School districts in Illinois, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Ohio, and Michigan were closed February 2 due to Winter Storm Linus that caused several deaths, over 1,300 flight cancellations, and several traffic accidents in the Midwest after dumping several inches of snow on the ground.

Source: <http://www.weather.com/storms/winter/news/winter-storm-linus-chicago-great-lakes-midwest-impacts>

20. *February 2, Associated Press* – (Mississippi) **Ole Miss crews fix water line problems.** The University of Mississippi campus in Oxford reopened February 2 after a water main break caused a loss in pressure and forced the closure of all campus buildings, including residence halls, office and academic buildings, and athletic venues. The campus remained under a boil-water order after crews repaired the ruptured line.

Source: <http://www.wapt.com/news/mississippi/ole-miss-crews-working-on-water-line-problems/31050504>

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Emergency Services Sector

21. *February 3, WECT 6 Wilmington* – (North Carolina) **Authorities arrest escaped Brunswick County inmate.** An inmate who escaped from a Brunswick County detention center January 29 was recaptured by sheriff's deputies February 3 at a residence in Southport. The inmate managed to escape from the detention center by switching armbands with his brother who was being bonded out of jail.
Source: <http://www.wect.com/story/28009549/authorities-arrest-escaped-brunswick-county-inmate>
22. *February 2, Associated Press* – (Louisiana) **Audit: Fire marshal's office needs to improve inspections.** Louisiana's legislative auditor released a report February 2 which found that the State's fire marshal's office did not consistently inspect schools, universities, State buildings, and health facilities to ensure compliance with fire and safety codes. The auditor's office spot-checked 278 buildings and found that 65 were not inspected during 2013, and reviewed 385 violations cited by the fire marshal from 2011 to 2013 and determined that the office never returned to re-inspect 21 percent of the violations.
Source: <http://www.ksl.com/index.php?nid=151&sid=33325927&title=audit-fire-marshals-office-needs-to-improve-inspections>
23. *February 2, WMAQ 5 Chicago* – (Illinois) **Sheriff: One-third of jail staffers didn't report to work.** The Cook County Jail in Chicago was placed on lockdown with limited movement inside the jail February 2 due to a severe winter storm that dumped several inches of snow and caused about 36 percent of the jail's staff to call in sick.
Source: <http://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/cook-county-jail-lockdown-290548911.html>

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Information Technology Sector

24. *February 3, Softpedia* – (International) **Security flaws in SerVision HVG video gateway grant access to the web interface.** Researchers with the Computer Emergency Response Team Coordination Center at Carnegie Mellon University (CERT/CC) reported that two high-severity vulnerabilities in SerVision's HVG video gateway product series which could allow unauthorized access to the unit's web interface and enable users to log into the web interface with administrative rights were resolved in the latest revision of the firmware. The privilege elevation danger has yet to be mitigated.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Security-Flaws-in-SerVision-HVG-Video-Gateway-Grant-Access-to-the-Web-Interface-471998.shtml>

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Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <http://www.it-isac.org>

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Communications Sector

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Commercial Facilities Sector

25. *February 3, WWJ 62 Detroit* – (Michigan) **Building evacuated after electrical problem sends manhole covers flying in downtown Detroit.** A downtown Detroit office building was evacuated for more than 2 hours February 3 after an underground electrical problem filled the building's basement with smoke and sent 3 manhole covers into the air. Authorities continue to investigate the incident.
Source: <http://detroit.cbslocal.com/2015/02/03/explosion-heard-felt-in-downtown-detroit/>

26. *February 3, Lewiston-Auburn Sun Journal* – (Maine) **Sparetime, Carbonite evacuated for reported CO leak.** More than 100 people were evacuated February 3 from a Lewiston building that houses Sparetime Recreation and 2 other businesses, including a medical office, due to elevated levels of carbon monoxide. Several employees were treated at the scene for symptoms related to carbon monoxide exposure, while firefighters worked to ventilate the building and authorities investigated the source of the leak.
Source: <http://www.sunjournal.com/news/lewiston-auburn/2015/02/03/sparetime-carbonite-evacuated-reported-co-leak/1650682>

27. *February 2, WPIX 11 New York City* – (New York) **Security of confidential docs called into question after Williamsburg storage facility fire.** Firefighters continued February 2 to battle a 7-alarm fire that broke out January 31 at the Citistorage building in the Brooklyn area of New York City, while investigators worked to determine the source of the blaze. Officials are investigating if thousands of confidential documents, including legal and medical records that were held inside the storage facility may have been exposed during the incident, possibly compromising the personal information of an unknown number of individuals.
Source: <http://pix11.com/2015/02/02/security-of-confidential-docs-called-into-question-after-williamsburg-storage-facility-fire/>

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